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In re Application of:

HÖNIG, Erhard

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Title: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A PLASTIC EDGE STRIP TO A PLATE-LIKE WORKPIECE AND SUCH A WORKPIECE**

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231


Sir:

Submitted herewith for filing in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is the following:

- (1) Transmittal Letter
- (2) Filing Form For Continuation U.S. Patent Application
- (3) International Publication No.: WO 00/53387
International Publication Date: 14 September 2000 (14.09.00)
consisting of 17 pages including:
 - 9 pages Textual Specification
 - 4 Pages of 22 claims
 - 1 Cover sheet containing the Abstract
 - 3 Sheets of Drawings
- (4) PCT/IPEA/416 Notification of Transmittal of the International Preliminary Examination Report
- (5) PCT/IPEA/409 International Preliminary Examination Report which contains:
- (6) Article 34 Amendments including:
 - Amended description pages 1 and 1a
 - Amended claims 1 and 12 through 21
- (7) Preliminary Amendment
- (8) Unexecuted Inventor's Declaration
- (9) PCT/IB/301 Notification of receipt of Record Copy
- (10) PCT/IB/308 Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices
- (11) PCT/IB/332 Information Concerning Elected Offices Notified of their Election
- (12) Information Disclosure Statement
- (13) Information Disclosure Statement Transmittal Letter
- (14) Form PTO-1449 with five (5) references
- (15) Request for Priority
- (16) Priority document No. 99/1940
- (17) Priority document No. 99/4442
- (18) Postcard for early notification of serial number.

Respectfully submitted,
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FILING FORM

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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a
- X Continuation Application under:
 - X 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - Divisional Application under:
 - 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(1)
 - Continuation-In-Part (CIP) application
 - 37 CFR § 1.53(b)(2)

of **prior** ("parent") application:

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Entitled: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING A
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2. X Enclosed for application under 37 CFR §§ 1.53(b) are:
- 14 pages of text (specification, claims, abstract)
 - 22 claims
 - 3 sheets of drawings

3. The **present** application names the following inventor(s):

Erhard HÖNIG

— (37 CFR § 1.53--"CIP") The above-identified application (in which no payment of the Issue Fee, abandonment of or termination of proceedings has occurred) is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application.

The **Total Filing Fee** is calculated as follows:

— Enter the Amendment filed in the prior patent application on _____ prior to calculating the filing fee.

XX Enter the enclosed Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee.

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	NUMBER OF CLAIMS FILED		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
TOTAL	23	minus 20	3	x9=	0		x18=	54
INDEP	2	minus 3	0	x40=	0		x80=	0
BASE FILING FEE:				+355=	0		+710=	710
<u>xx</u> Multiple Dependent Claims				+130=	0		+270=	0
				TOTAL	0	OR TOTAL		764

— Applicant(s) is/are a "small entity". A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status:

— was filed in the parent application, and small entity status is still proper and desired (Rules 60, 62 only);

— is filed herewith;

— will be filed at a later date.

— A check including the above-indicated filing fee is enclosed.

— A Petition for Extension of Time (to keep the parent case pending) is enclosed, with a check including the \$ extension fee.

___ Assignment document(s) is/are submitted herewith, with a check including the recordation fee of \$40.00 per Assignment.

X No check is enclosed. A Declaration and Power of Attorney will be submitted at a later date pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.41, 1.53, together with a check for the "Total Filing Fee" calculated above and a surcharge under 37 CFR § 1.16(e).

___ The prior application is assigned of record to ___, the Assignment being recorded on ___, on Reel ___, Frame(s) ___.

___ An original executed Declaration is enclosed.

___ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

X Foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of SOUTH AFRICA application 99/1940, filed March 10, 1999, and of SOUTH AFRICA application 99/4442, filed July 8, 1999 is hereby claimed. The certified priority paper(s):
___ was/were filed in the parent case;
X is/are enclosed herewith;
___ will be submitted at a later date.

___ The power of attorney in the prior application is to ___.

___ The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.


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___ If extensions of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the parent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned to allow copendency of the parent and the present continuing application. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fee deficiency under 37 CFR § 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 14-0112. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

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